

**WARRANT TO CALL REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT NO. 13  
BUDGET MEETING  
(20-A M.R.S. §1485)**

TO: Kathleen Blais, a resident of Regional School Unit No. 13 composed of Cushing, Owls Head, Rockland, South Thomaston, St. George and Thomaston, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of each of the municipalities within Regional School Unit No. 13, namely, the City of Rockland and the Towns of Cushing, Owls Head, South Thomaston, St. George and Thomaston, that the Regional School Unit Budget Meeting will be held at the Rockland District High School, 400 Broadway, Rockland, Maine at 6:00 p.m. on June 1, 2010 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting articles set forth below.

**ARTICLE 1A:** To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

**ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 11 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES IN COST  
CENTER CATEGORIES**

**ARTICLE 1:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$9,849,842.00**

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Special Education.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$3,332,635.00**

**ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$924,497.00**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$598,138.00**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$2,647,850.00**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for System Administration.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$661,569.00**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for School Administration.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$1,591,849.00**

**ARTICLE 8:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$1,322,722.00**

**ARTICLE 9:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$3,542,821.00**

**ARTICLE 10:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$849,785.00**

**ARTICLE 11:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$80,000.00**

**ARTICLES 12 THROUGH 14 RAISE FUNDS FOR THE  
PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 12:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and to see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and assess as each municipality's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688. **Recommended amounts set forth below:**

Total Appropriated (by municipality):	Total raised (and Regional School Unit assessments by municipality):
Town of Cushing: \$2,089,659.42	Town of Cushing: \$1,958,910.00
Town of Owls Head: \$1,804,419.91	Town of Owls Head: \$1,804,419.91
City of Rockland: \$ 7,870,762.85	City of Rockland: \$5,518,275.00
Town of South Thomaston: \$2,811,979.64	Town of South Thomaston: \$2,811,979.64
Town of St. George: \$1,931,020.24	Town of St. George: \$1,931,020.24
Town of Thomaston: \$3,693,095.25	Town of Thomaston: \$2,093,460.00
<b>School Regional School Unit Total Appropriated</b>	<b>School Regional School Unit Total Raised:</b>
<b>(Sum of above)        \$20,200,937.31</b>	<b>(Sum of above)        \$16,118,064.79</b>

*Explanation: The Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that the Regional School Unit must raise and assess in order to receive the full amount of state dollars.*

**ARTICLE 13:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters for non-state-funded school construction projects or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$522,628.00**

*Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the Regional School Unit's long-term debt for major capital school construction projects that are not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the Regional School Unit voters.*



**ARTICLE 14:** (Written ballot required). To see what sum the Regional School Unit will raise and appropriate in additional local funds (**Recommend \$5,077,860.00**), which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model by (**Recommend \$4,614,166.00**) as required to fund the budget recommended by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors recommends \$5,077,860.00 for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model by \$4,614,166.00: The Essential Programs and Services funding model does not fully support all of the costs associated with operating a comprehensive K-12 educational program, such as athletics/co-curricular activities, special education programs, alternative education programs, maintenance and transportation, nor does it recognize and account for the costs associated with maintaining small class sizes, operating small elementary schools in each community, operating two high schools and offering a broad level of academic programming.

*Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the Regional School Unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Regional School Unit budget for educational programs.*

#### **ARTICLE 15 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 15:** To see what sum the Regional School Unit will authorize the Board of Directors to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011 from the Regional School Unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

**Board of Directors Recommends \$25,401,758.00**

#### **ARTICLE 16 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS**

**ARTICLE 16:** In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the Board of Directors be authorized to expend federal stabilization funds and such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Note: It is currently estimated that the Board of Directors will receive \$688,943.32 in federal stabilization funds, which are included in the expenditures authorized by this article.

#### **ARTICLE 17 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE**

**ARTICLE 17:** To see if Regional School Unit No. 13 will appropriate **\$132,000** for adult education and raise **\$70,000** as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.



**ARTICLE 18 AUTHORIZES THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL REGION BUDGET**

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the regional career and technical education operating budget as approved by the cooperative board for the year beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 be approved in the amount of \$2,731,783.00?

**ARTICLE 19 AUTHORIZES THE ADULT EDUCATION BUDGET FOR THE CAREER AND TECHNICAL REGION AND RAISES THE LOCAL SHARE**

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the Career and Technical Education Region 8 approve a budget for adult education in the amount of \$61,067.00 for the year beginning July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and well-being of its adult education program, and shall Regional School Unit No. 13 raise \$20,666.00 as its share of the adult education budget for Career and Technical Education Region 8?

**ARTICLE 20 ALLOWS THE REGION TO REDUCE THE ASSESSMENTS TO THE SIX TOWNS SHOULD THE LEGISLATURE INCREASE SUBSIDY ABOVE THE AMOUNT CURRENTLY ANTICIPATED**

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the Board of Directors be authorized to reduce the additional local funds raised pursuant to 20-A MRSA 15690(3) for public schooling by the amount of any unanticipated state general purpose aid received for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011?

Given under our hand this day, May 6, 2010 at Rockland, Maine.

Brian J. Mesinger  
Eric L. Emery  
P. M. Weston  
Stephen Kilgus  
James H. H. H.  
Julie Sambo

Shirley D.  
Sally G. Carlson  
Michael  
Donna M.

A majority of the Board of Directors of Regional School Unit No. 13

A true copy of the Warrant, attest:

Kathleen Blais

Kathleen Blais, Resident

Regional School Unit No. 13